

CLAIMS

1. A handheld wireless communication device comprising:
 - 5 a first housing portion having a first surface;
 - a second housing portion having a second surface, said second housing portion movably coupled to said first housing portion, said second housing portion rotates planarly about a portion of and relative to said first housing portion from
 - 10 a closed position wherein said first surface is adjacent to said second surface to an open position wherein said first surface and said second surface are exposed; and
 - a user interface disposed upon said first surface,
 - 15 said user interface exposed when said handheld wireless communication device is in said open position, and concealed between said first housing portion and said second housing portion when said handheld wireless communication device is in said closed position.
- 20 2. The handheld wireless communication device of claim 1 wherein the user interface comprises a set of volume buttons.
3. The handheld wireless communication device of claim 1 wherein said 25 first housing portion further comprising a first rotation portion and a first extended portion extending from said rotation portion, and wherein said

second housing portion further comprises a second rotation portion and a second extended portion extending from said second rotation portion.

4. The handheld wireless communication device of claim 3 wherein said
5 second extended portion extends at least over said user interface when said
device is in said closed position.

10 5. The handheld wireless communication device of claim 1 wherein said
first housing portion and said second housing portion are substantially the
same size.

15 6. The handheld wireless communication device of claim 3 in said open
position said first extended portion is angularly displaced 180 degrees from
said second extended portion.

7. The handheld wireless communication device of claim 1 wherein the
location of said user interface is located at the natural resting place of a users
index finger.

20 8. The handheld wireless communication device of claim 1 wherein the
location of said user interface is located near the natural resting place of a
users index finger.

25 9. A handheld wireless communication device comprising:
a first housing portion having an inner surface and an outer surface;
a second housing portion having an inner surface and an outer
surface, said second housing portion rotatably(also do

movably) coupled within the same plane to said first housing portion, such that in a closed position, said inner surface of said first housing portion is planarly adjacent to said inner surface of said second housing portion, and

5 in an open position, the inner surface of said first housing portion is exposed and planarly opposed from said inner portion of said second housing portion; and

a user interface disposed upon said inner surface of said second housing portion, exposed and accessible to the user when said 10 device is in said open position.

10. The handheld wireless communication device of claim 9 further comprising a user interface disposed upon the inner surface of said first housing portion .

15 11. The handheld wireless communication device of claim 10 said user interface comprising buttons.

20 12. The wireless communication device of claim 11 said buttons comprising a volume increase button and a volume decrease button.

25 13. The wireless communication device of claim 9 wherein said user interface disposed upon the inner surface of said second housing portion has a location on said inner surface adjacent to the resting position of a users finger, while the device is in a open position.

14. A wireless communication device comprising:
a first housing;
a second housing movably coupled to the first housing, the second
housing being capable of rotating about at least a portion of the first housing;

5 and

A user interface disposed on said second housing wherein said user
interface is accessible to the user when the second housing is in a first
position, and not accessible to the user when the second housing is in a
second position.

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15. The wireless communication device of claim 14 wherein the user
interface is a first volume button and a second volume button.

16. The wireless communication device of claim 15 wherein second
15 housing in said first position is substantially planarly adjacent to said first
housing, and wherein said second housing planarly rotates to said second
position such that only a portion of said second housing is planarly adjacent
to said first housing portion.

20 17. The wireless communication device of claim 15 wherein said user
interface is on a first surface of said second housing and wherein said first
surface is adjacent to said a first surface of said first housing when said
wireless communication device is in said first position, and

Wherein the user interface is accessible to the user in said second
25 position, and said user interface is located adjacent to the resting place of a
user's index finger.

18. The wireless communication device of claim 14 wherein the first position is a closed position and the second position is an open position.

19. A wireless communication device comprising:

5 a first housing having a first circular portion and a first extending portion extending away from the circular portion;
a second housing having a second circular portion planarly aligned and planarly coupled to said first circular portion of said first housing and a second extending portion extending away from said second circular portion,

10 the circular portion being capable of rotating about the center of the first circular portion, and wherein said second extending portion has a first surface; and

15 a user interface disposed upon said first surface of said second extending portion in a location adjacent to the resting position of a user's index finger.

20. The wireless communication device of claim 19 wherein said second housing portion comprises a second surface opposite said first surface.